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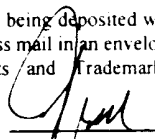
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**AMENDMENT &
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 24, 2002, please amend this patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-14, without prejudice.

Please add new claims 15-34 as set forth on the enclosed pages.